



August 15, 2019

Regional Freedom of Information Officer  
U.S. EPA, Region 1 (OARM01-6)  
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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552, I am requesting copies and/or access to records held at EPA's Region 1 office.

Records of interest include documents created, compiled, and submitted to the EPA under regulatory programs such as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Clean Air Act (CAA), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

Specifically, I am requesting release of a number of specific documents and types of documents held at Region 1 concerning Eastern Color and Chemical Company's operations at several locations in Providence, Rhode Island. Below, I have included information on the site occupant's name, address(es), any available facility ID numbers, and the types of documents requested. The following sections are arranged according to specific EPA regulatory programs.

*RCRA Requested Documents*

We understand that hazardous waste generated by Eastern Color and Chemical Company at 35 Livingston Street, Providence, RI was regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and was assigned the following RCRA facility ID: RID001194331.

We request the following materials relating to this facility produced by the company as required by RCRA:

- RCRA Notification
- Part A application (Form 8700-12)
- Related correspondence for the period 1984 and earlier
- Work plans and closure documentation related to contamination processes and chemical releases
- Biennial hazardous waste reports from 1981 to 1985

We understand that hazardous waste generated by Chemical Coatings Corp at 14 Mechanics Avenue, Providence, RI was regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and was assigned the following RCRA facility ID: RID987487915.

We therefore request the following documents relating to this facility produced by the company as required by the RCRA.

- RCRA Notification
- Part A application (Form 8700-12)
- Related correspondence for the period 1992 and earlier
- Work plans and closure documentation related to contamination processes and chemical releases

#### TSCA Inventory Requested Documents

We understand that, under the chemical inventory provisions of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Eastern Color and Chemical Company at 35 Livingston Street, Providence, RI and 14 Mechanics Avenue, Providence, RI, identified certain chemicals used at these sites.

We therefore request the following documents related to these facilities produced as required by TSCA:

- 1986 Reporting Year Data
- 1990 Reporting Year Data

#### TSCA PCB Regulations

We understand that, under the PCB regulations adopted pursuant to section 6 of the Toxic Substances Control Act, that PCB waste materials may have been used or remediated at Eastern Color and Chemical Company at 35 Livingston Street, Providence, RI.

We therefore request the following documents related to PCBs and these installations:

- Documentation of any PCB related notifications, inspections, and enforcement actions involving these locations or parties, including documentation regarding a 2005 waste manifest for 20 kgs of transformer oil.

#### TRI Requested Documents

We understand that Eastern Color and Chemical Company at 35 Livingston Street, Providence, RI was required to file an annual report with the EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Program to document the release of certain chemicals. The company was assigned the following TRI facility ID: 02940STRNC35LIV.

We therefore request any annual reports (also known as "Form R") filed by company, including the submittals filed for the 1987 reporting year up until the year 2000.

*AIR Requested Documents*

We understand that Eastern Color and Chemical Company and later Organic Dyes & Pigments, LLC at 35 Livingston Street, Providence, RI, operated under the regulation of the Clean Air Act with the following facility ID: RI0000004400777775.

We therefore request the following documents related to this facility:

- Air permit registration and application documents
- Inspection files
- Correspondence for the earliest period possible

*SSTS Requested Documents*

As required under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) Section 7, information on pesticide establishments is tracked through the Section Seven Tracking System (SSTS). We understand that Eastern Color and Chemical Company at 35 Livingston Street, Providence, RI, registered with the company number 006009RI 001.

We therefore request submittal documentation provided by the above company.

*Request Information*

History Associates requests the release of the above materials. If this is not possible, we request information as to why, as we understand that these collections are publically accessible under statutory regulations.

History Associates agrees to pay all reasonable and standard processing fees authorized by 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4)(A) and the applicable regulations up to \$250. Should the fees exceed this amount, please call me with an estimate of the total costs in order that specific expenditures beyond \$250 can be authorized.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact me at (301) 279-9697 or via email at [HBergen@historyassociates.com](mailto:HBergen@historyassociates.com).

Sincerely,

Hilary Bergen